



REMARKS

In order to improve the English grammar and U.S. form of the present application prior to initial examination, the specification, claims and Abstract of the present application have been reviewed and revised.

The amendments to the specification and abstract are incorporated in the attached substitute specification and Abstract. No new matter has been added.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and Abstract by the current amendment. The attachment is captioned "**Version with markings to show changes made.**"

The claims have been revised by cancelling original claims 1-26 and replacing them with new claims 27-56.

Also, replacement formal drawings are submitted herewith under separate cover letter in order to provide separate figure labels for each of Figs. 3(a) - 5(b), and also in order to change the reference characters 3, 5, 8, 11 and 13 in Figs. 3(a) and 3(b) to 3', 5', 8', 11' and 13', respectively since these reference characters referred to revised versions of the elements referenced in the drawing Figures 1(a) - 2. Corresponding changes have been made in the specification. In addition, the lead line for reference numeral 8 has been corrected in Fig. 1(a) to properly lead to the "hole" in the spring member 5. Approval of these replacement formal drawings is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that this amendment be entered prior to initial examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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